

On motion by Mr Semmes, it was

Ordered, That the committee on ways and means, have leave to sit during the hours of the session of the house.

Mr. Watkins. submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore, pay to the several members of the general assembly, and the officers thereof, also to the electors of president and vice-president of the United States, their clerk and officers, the amount of the several sums due to them, and for which they may obtain certificates from the chairman of the committee of claims.

Which was read the first, and, by a special order, dispensing with the 25th rule of the house, the second time; when,

On motion by Mr. Lee, the house was called, and the door-keeper sent for the absent members.

The door-keeper having returned, reported that he had notified the members to attend.

After some discussion,

On motion by Mr. Semmes, the said resolution was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hughlett having asked for leave to introduce a bill, to be entitled, An act to reduce the per diem allowance of the members of the legislature, and their officers, the question was propounded, Will the house grant the leave so asked for?

The yeas and nays being required by seven members, were taken, and appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs. Stewart of A. Arundel

Hood

Kent

Stockett

Beckett

Turner of Balt. county

Ely

Price of Balt. county

Shower

Hughlett

Denny

Eccleston

Wright

Evans

Gale

Turpin

Shriver

Hope

Johns

Sutton

Smithson

Burchenal

Hardcastle of Caroline

Willis

Steuart of Balt. city

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NEGATIVE.

Messrs. Chapman, (Speaker)

Thomas

Hawkins

Gough

Blakistone

Osborn

Hynson

Brown

Duvall

Crabb

Watkins

Boyer

Roach

Smith of Worcester

Hitch

Kemp